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	the international application as originally filed.
	the description:
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	the claims:
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2.	With regard to the language, all the elements marked above were available or furnished to this Authority in the
	anguage in which the international application was filed, unless otherwise indicated under this item.
	These elements were available or furnished to this Authority in the following language which is:
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	The statement that the subsequently furnished written sequence listing does not go beyond the disclosure in the international application as filed has been furnished.
	The statement that the information recorded in computer readable form is identical to the written sequence listing has been furnished.
4.	The amendments have resulted in the cancellation of
	the description, pages <u>NONE</u>
	the claims, Nos. NONE
	the drawings, sheets/ fig NONE
5.	This report has been established as if (some of) the amendments had not been made, since they have been considered to go beyond the disclosure as filed, as indicated in the Supplemental Box (Rule 70.2(c)).**
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V. Reasoned statement under Rule 66 2(a)(ii) with regard to result	
V. Reasoned statement under Rule 66.2(a)(ii) with regard to novelty.	, inventive step or industrial applicability;
citations and explanations supporting such statement	

1. STATEMENT

Novelty (N)	Claims 1-273 Claims NONE	YES
Inventive Step (IS)	Claims 1-273 Claims NONE	YES NO
Industrial Applicability (IA)	Claims 1-273 Claims NONE	YES

2. CITATIONS AND EXPLANATIONS

Claims 1-273 meet the criteria set out in PCT Article 33(2)-(3), because the prior art (after further consideration) does not teach or fairly suggest: formation of a BIC between one or more buyers and one or more sellers for use in formation of a financial derivatives contract; establishing a BIC basis; identifying agreement terms of the BIC including contract time, premium payment time, payout payment time, premium payment amount, and payout payment amount; validating the BIC reflecting agreement terms, inputting scaling density function relating dependence of unit notational premium amount of a BIC to premium amount for any other notational amount of a BIC; inputting functions representative of BICs prices responsive to an offer and demand; maintaing an inventory of derivatives contracts where the inventory of the derivatives contracts is maintained in BICs units; decomposing a residual contract in a BIC basis which is then reported in a net profit or loss as the non-hedging part of the derivatives contract.

There is further not taught or fairly suggested (after further consideration): means for receiving a payout function expressed in DCWBSOF format of a derivatives contract; and, means for transforming a payout payment function expressed in DCWBSOF format into DCWOF format, where the DCWOF format is a function of observed values of one or more underlyings.

There is further not taught or fairly suggested (after further consideration): inputting a description of a derivatives contract in functional format; inputting prices for one or more basis instruments; returning a price for the derivatives contract responsive to the description of the derivatives contract in functional format and the prices of one or more basis instruments.

There is further not taught or fairly suggested (after further consideration): creating a credit risk underlying whose value at any given time is equal to a percentage of liability a counterparty honors at a given time that depends on a notational amount of counterparty liability at the given time, first stakeholders identity and counterpartys identity; setting a maximum response to difference between value of counterparty liability not inclusive of credit risk and value of liability inclusive of credit risk; determining first and second payment amounts for stakeholders and calculating margin responsive to first and second payout amounts.

Claims 1-273 meet the criteria set out in PCT Article 33(4), and thus meet industrial applicability because the subject matter claimed can be made or used in industry.